



TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

**KEN GIVENS
COMMISSIONER**

**REGULATORY SERVICES
ANIMAL HEALTH**

BY ORDER OF THE STATE VETERINARIAN

In light of a recent outbreak of Equine Piroplasmiasis (*Theileria equi*) on a ranch in south Texas and the risk posed by the importation of infected animals to Tennessee horses, the state veterinarian, pursuant to the authority vested in him by Tenn. Code Ann. § 44-2-102, hereby ORDERS as follows:

Any horse entering or being transported through Tennessee from Texas shall be accompanied by an entry permit number and certificate of veterinary inspection, regardless of whether such animal is destined for an approved livestock market for sale. Entry permits can be obtained by calling the Tennessee State Veterinarian's office at 615-837-5120.

Any horse originating from Brooks, Jim Wells, Kenedy, Kleburg, Nueces or Willacy county in Texas shall be accompanied by proof that such animal tested negative on a cELISA test for Equine Piroplasmiasis conducted within thirty (30) days prior to entry.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dr. Charles W. Hatcher, DVM
State Veterinarian